

**NONPROVISIONAL PATENT
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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR SPEECH RECOGNITION

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- ☒ 43 pages of Specification/Claims 1-6/Abstract are attached.
☒ Formal drawings (Figss). 1-9; 9 sheets) is attached.
☐ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
☐ An assignment of the invention to _____ is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
☒ An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and 2 reference.
☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____, --
☒ Priority of foreign application No. 2002-271670 filed September 18, 2002 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
☒ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE				\$ 375	OR		\$ 750
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